

THREE ESCAPE BY SAWING IRON BARS

White Prisoners Cut Their Way Out of City Jail in Easiest Way Possible.

USED PART OF OLD HACK SAW

Not Missed by Officers on Duty Until Called for Breakfast.

With seven inches of a broken hack saw, covered with a bit of rag for a grip, three prisoners in the City Jail some time Sunday night cut their way to liberty. Four bars were severed as easily as if they had been lead, and a heavy galvanization iron wire screen was pried away with one of the bars, which was used as a lever. The escape did not become known until yesterday morning about 6 o'clock, when a general alarm went out and the assistance of the police was asked to find them. A reward of \$200 was at once offered for their capture.

The following are the escaped prisoners: William Hartman, alias J. P. Nelson, thirty years old, six feet tall, 200 pounds; of ruddy complexion. He was indicted yesterday by the grand jury on two charges of forgery. One-half of the \$200 reward is offered for his capture.

Charles Fox, twenty-two years old, five feet eight inches tall, light complexion; blue eyes and bad teeth.

Norman Johnson, twenty-two years old; five feet eight inches tall; dark brown hair; slender; fair; had teeth and a five-point star and letter "J" tattooed on left forearm.

Occupied the Same Cell. Johnson and Fox had been sentenced to one year in the penitentiary for holding up and robbing Z. W. Smith, a druggist, at 125 South Pine Street. Fifty dollars reward is offered for the capture of each.

The three men occupied the same cell at the end of the corridor of the second tier of cells in the eastern wing of the jail.

The insecurity of that portion of the jail was made clear by the ease with which they sawed through the bars, supposed to be steel, but now believed to be cast iron. Expert mechanics who were shown the saw, done the work and the severed bars declared that each bar could have easily been cut through in half an hour. In view of this fact it is considered probable that an investigation into the construction of the jail may be the result of the delivery.

Just how the three men obtained the saw is partly explained. Several days ago workmen made repairs to the women's quarters, and it was necessary for them to use hacksaws. One of the blades snapped in two, and it was thrown aside as useless. When the work was finished the broken blade, with other trash, was thrown in a barrel and removed. It is supposed that the bit of saw was picked up by a "trustee" and given to Hartman, Johnson and Fox. That is the belief of City Sergeant Satterfield and his deputies, though all "trustees" deny any knowledge of it.

One bar was sawed completely out of a bottom section of the cell and a second sawed at the top and bent aside at the bottom, leaving an opening sufficient for the men to crawl through. Going into the corridor at the eastern end, they cut out one bar and secured an opening large enough for them to go through and climb down the grating to the first floor.

Their progress was never once interrupted. It was demonstrated yesterday that the bars could be cut with practically little noise, and as the men are believed to have done their work during the storm of Sunday night, they attracted no attention.

Reaching the first floor, they had to walk probably fifty feet to reach the top of a staircase leading to the basement. At one of the windows just a few feet above the ground they cut away a fourth bar, and with the aid of a pick saw, the screen, which was then the only obstacle to their



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progress. A hole big enough for one of the smaller men to pass through was made. When he reached the outside he evidently had little difficulty in ripping away enough of the loosened screen for the others to jump out. A board fence, probably seven feet high, was scaled, and they landed in Marshall Street and disappeared.

Stayed There in Ignorance. Deputy-Sergeants R. P. Moorfield and J. D. Taylor were on duty Sunday night and made their customary rounds of the prison. Their attention was never once drawn to Hartman, Johnson and Fox. They were not aware of their escape until it was time for breakfast yesterday morning.

Prisoners in cells adjoining that of the escaped trio denied that they heard any unusual sounds. Sergeant Satterfield expressed the utmost confidence in his deputies. He intimated that, while he said, he did not wish to hold himself blameless or relieve himself of any responsibility in the matter, he thought that if the eastern wing of the jail was of the proper construction the delivery could have never been effected.

Though "trustees" have from time to time escaped from the jail, this is the first time that prisoners have successfully cut their way to liberty.

A Former Experience. Harry Allen and William Rogers, two of the ringleaders of the notorious Charles Miller gang of baggage snatchers, almost secured their freedom about five years ago, when they sawed out an entire door frame. They managed to get out of their cell, but prisoners gave the alarm before they could leave the prison.

Jail officials are inclined to the belief that most of the work was done by Hartman, who is regarded as a bad criminal. Johnson and Fox had received light punishment for their crime, and strong efforts were being brought to bear on Governor Mann to commute it. Hartman had been placed in their cell at his own request, which is not unusual when prisoners are confined to cells by themselves.

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COLISEUM ON SITE OF OLD LIBBY PRISON

In Great Building at Chicago Third National Republican Convention Will Be Held. \$40,000 spent to Put It in Shape.

Chicago, June 3.—For the third time since the year Nineteen years ago, the doors of the Coliseum, which was thrown open June 18 for the accommodation of a Republican National Convention. In 1904 the Republicans nominated Colonel Theodore Roosevelt President in the building, and in 1908, under the same roof, William H. Taft was chosen as the party's standard-bearer.

The Coliseum is on Wabash Avenue, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth Streets, less than a mile from the center of Chicago's retail shopping, and local district, and is accessible from all parts of the city by elevated roads and surface lines. The Coliseum is 305 feet long, 170 feet wide and 70 feet in height, built of stone, brick, steel and concrete, and is fireproof.

stands on the site of the old Libby Prison, which was brought to Chicago from Richmond in sections and rebuilt the year of the World's Fair by Charles F. Gunther and used to exhibit a valuable collection of the Civil War relics. It is of modern Romanesque combined with the English cathedral type of architecture, and cost \$300,000. It has been the scene of many notable assemblies. It has eleven large exits, and can be emptied in five minutes in an emergency.

The subcommittee on arrangements of the Republican National Convention, under the direction of Colonel Harry S. New, has expended \$40,000 preparing the building for this year's national convention of the Republican party. The building has 11,183 seats, of which 7,288 are on the main floor and 3,260 in the balcony.

The speakers' platform is built against the south wall of the structure, and extends across the entire width of the building. It is seventy-five feet deep, and contains 1,332 seats, which will be occupied by the chairman, officers of the convention, members of the national committee and distinguished guests.

The seats back of the chairman's table will be slightly elevated. Directly beneath the chairman's table is a space for four noisless telegraph instruments and their operators, by which news of the convention's proceedings will be flashed to the world. In both sides and extending in a half circle around the front of the platform are seats and tables for 400 working newspaper men and correspondents from all parts of the country.

Directly in front of these are the seats for the 1,075 delegates arranged by States. This place will be reached by a railing and closely guarded by a large force of sergeants-at-arms. Back of this are the seats for the 1,075 alternates included by a railing. On both sides and in the rear of the space occupied by the delegates and alternates are 3,590 elevated seats for visitors. At the north end of the building a special standstill will be erected. In the balcony, which extends around the four walls of the building, there will be 3,260 seats for visitors. To avoid confusion in seating the crowd, each entrance will be placarded showing the sections for which it will be used and each ticket will bear the letter of the entrance for which it is intended. By this plan delegates and visitors will enter the door nearest the seats assigned to them.

The platform, aisles and all open spaces will be covered with matting to insure the maximum of quiet while the convention is in session. Five hundred public telephones and a large number of telegraph instruments are being installed in various parts of the building for the accommodation of delegates and the public. The American Express Company has arranged the seats in such a manner that the chairman's platform may be seen from every section of the large hall. Sergeant-at-arms William F. Stone will be assisted by a force of 500 deputy sergeants-at-arms, doorkeepers, ushers and attendants. A special telephone system is being installed, which will enable Sergeant-at-Arms Stone, from his desk on the platform, immediately to communicate with his assistants in any part of the hall.

In the two-story annex, adjoining the main building on the south, are

VIRGINIA PLUM TREE SHAKEN BY TAFT

He Hands Out Ten Post-Office Appointments in Hope of Strengthening His Delegates to Chicago.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Washington, June 3.—Whether it was the fear that he might suffer a loss of some of the Old Dominion delegates to the Chicago convention or the result of the result of that dinner which he gave Congressman Slemmons, National Committeeman Alvah Martin and Louis P. Summers at the White House Saturday, President Taft yesterday shook the political plum tree with the result that a good batch of Virginia post-office appointments were announced.

Some time the Virginia leaders have been trying to get these appointments made, but for one reason or another nothing was done. First Mr. Slemmons, the man who actually has in hand the naming of the Virginia post-office appointments, was absent then the President was away on one of his numerous spell-binding trips. Saturday Slemmons, Martin and Summers dropped into the White House for a chat with

REAL ESTATE FIRMS WILL JOIN EXCHANGE

Forty Representative Dealers Attend Meeting, Indorse Plan and Pledge Their Hearty Support—Want big Membership.

After twenty years of intermittent effort, forty representative real estate firms yesterday agreed to form and maintain an organization to be known as the Richmond Real Estate Exchange. The percentage of dealers who attended the meeting was enough to insure the establishment of an exchange, but because a number of others were unable to be present, it was deemed best that the organization be not completed until a future meeting, when every man legitimately in the business should have received a copy of the by-laws adopted. Meanwhile O. Herbert Funsten, who presided yesterday, will remain as temporary chairman and B. A. Jacob as temporary secretary.

The committee on organization, which drafted the by-laws, was reappointed as a committee on membership to be signed up those members of the trade who did not attend this meeting. It consists of William Todd, LeRoy E. Brown, B. A. Jacob, J. J. Pollard, E. H. Harrison and J. A. McCurdy. This committee has to report to Mr. Funsten, who will then call another meeting for the election of officers and the perfection of plans for the exchange. The utmost harmony prevailed throughout the meeting, and there was not a change of the sequence made in the by-laws as submitted by the organizing committee, although it was taken up section by section. Even the annual fee of \$100, which is larger than that charged in other commercial organizations, brought out no adverse comment. Every one present agreed to be a member, and many of them stated that if the exchange accomplished the purpose for which it was designed it would be many times worth the price of membership.

Purposes of the Organization. When the office of Business Manager of the Chamber of Commerce, which the meeting was held at, was filled with prospective members of the exchange, Mr. Funsten, who had been named as temporary chairman at a previous meeting, outlined the purposes of the organization, in part as follows: "To secure uniform rates of brokerage in real estate transactions. "To promote harmony and good feeling among real estate and money brokers of each city. "To provide and maintain a place where members may meet and exchange ideas upon such subjects as may interest them. "To protect the business from the encroachment of unlicensed and unauthorized persons. "To maintain practices of honesty and fair dealing in the operations of affiliated real estate brokers. "To stimulate greater activity in real estate by joint effort in effecting sales and transactions, rather than by scattered individual work. "To discourage the unfair division of brokerage and commissions by persons not in the business. "To maintain the real estate broker in his position of dignity and responsibility, to refute unjust attacks when made, and to initiate measures to keep the business upon a foundation of influence and permanency. "To bring the influence of the organization to bear upon municipal and State legislation in matters pertaining to real estate. "To join effort of our active members and co-operation with other organizations, to bring factories and desirable enterprises to our home city. "To promote and protect real estate interests in our city and its suburbs. "To better enable its members to transact their business, connected with the buying and selling, renting and caring for real estate and the loaning of money upon the same, by the adoption of such rules and requirements as they may deem proper and for their common good, and by such other means as may be determined upon by its members."

Question of Fair Rates. In closing, Mr. Funsten said: "We all want the business. You want your share and your competitors want theirs. Not only do you want it, but you expect a fair and reasonable remuneration for services rendered. Where standard rates are established and lived up to by an organized body of agents the uniformity of charges asked in every office prevents the slashing of rates, and at once impresses your clients or prospective clients with the absolute fact of trying to get a dollar's worth of work for 45 cents. It adds to the dignity of your position, not to be obliged to haggle over your rate of pay, and at once puts agent and principal at ease in reference to what might be an embarrassing subject for both."

An examination of the rates charged in 100 American cities shows commissions varying from 1 per cent. to 5 per cent. for apparently the same class of work, and minimum charges varying from \$15 to \$50. This would seem to indicate that some communities expect their real estate men to work for very small pay. Only by thorough local organization can a fair rate of commission be enforced. To Be Amly Managed. The by-laws adopted are similar to those of other organizations of the kind. The government and management will be vested in a president, first and second vice-president, who, together with a board of directors, consisting of ten members, of which the officers and ex-officio members, shall elect a secretary and treasurer.

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Where the Red Land Club now stands, diagonally opposite the Albemarle County Courthouse, a plain bronze tablet was erected in 1910. It marks the "site of the old Swan Tavern, where lived and died Jack Jouett, whose heroic ride saved Mr. Jefferson, the Governor, and the Virginia Assembly from capture by Tarleton, June 1781."

The Old Swan Tavern was the leading hotel of Piedmont Virginia in 1781, and in it the Virginia legislators were guests on June 4 of that year. Before the door of the tavern, Jack Jouett stopped to warn the assemblymen before he continued his way to Monticello that he might bring the news to Mr. Jefferson, so that he could join the assemblymen on their way to Staunton.

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